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Fixed Mobile Convergence (FMC) implies use of a shared optical fronthaul network infrastructure able to carry transparently both fixed and mobile traffic including Wi-Fi, Mobile and fixed Ethernet. Network Function Virtualization (NFV) is a main enabler for FMC using a shared infrastructure for fixed and mobile gateways. Live migration, a virtualization key-feature, offers load-balancing, increased energy efficiency, application elasticity and other worthy advantages. This paper presents the evaluation of migrating a VNF over an FMC infrastructure. Our results show that, performing a live

migration over a dedicated connection yielded zero downtime and met a benchmark delay. The following scenario, where the ongoing connection is re-routed on a different optical path, shows the successful completion of the migration with an increase in delay of 2.4 seconds (22% higher than the benchmark) and only 2.1 seconds downtime

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